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SUBJECT: VANCE/OWEN TRIP TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

REF; A. LUSAKA 1262; B. LAGOS 4525

1. WE PLAN TO ADHERE TO THE SCHEDULE FOR TALKS WITH THE
PATRIOTIC FRONT IN DAR APRIL 15 AND 16. WE WILL LEAVE IT
TO THE FRONTLINE TO SORT OUT WITH NKOMO HIS SCHEDULING
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PROBLEMS.

2. SUBJECT FIRST TO CONFIRMATION BY THE BRITISH THAT A
MEETING WITH PIK BOTHA WOULD BE DESIRABLE, AND THEN TO
SAG AGREEMENT, WE WOULD FLY TO JOHANNESBURG FROM DAR
SUNDAY (THE 16TH) IN TIME FOR A LATE AFTERNOON OR AN
EVENING MEETING WITH BOTHA IN JOHANNESBURG OR PRETORIA.

VANCE/OWEN PARTY WOULD OVERNIGHT IN SOUTH AFRICA AND PROCEED TO SALISBURY MONDAY FOR TALKS WITH SMITH, MUZOREWA, SITHOLE AND CHIRAU. PARTY WOULD DEPART THAT NIGHT FOR LONDON, WITH ETA THERE 0830 TUESDAY, APRIL 18.

3. AFTER CLEARING LANGUAGE WITH US, THE BRITISH WILL EXTEND INVITATION TO PATRIOTIC FRONT, FRONTLINE, AND

NIGERIA. WE EXPECT THEM TO DO THIS APRIL 12. VANCE

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